

Where the Piano Got Its Start.
 Just 200 years ago there lived, at the court of Prince Ferdinand de Medici, a Paduan harpsichord maker, by name Bertolomeo Christofori, a man of great inventive genius. After innumerable experiments he solved the problem, a long standing puzzle to the musical instrument makers of the period, how to make a satisfactorily working "keyed psalter," and by the method he invented of overcoming the difficulties inherent to the task, produced an instrument which was the undoubted ancestor of the pianoforte of today. For the piano is, in essential, says a writer in the Universal Magazine, a dulcimer with a fitted keyboard; it is not simply a modification of the old harpsichord. The latter, it is true, did possess a keyboard, but the depression of its keys caused a "plucking" harp-like action on the strings and not the striking of a hammer, with controlled rebound, the peculiar character of the newer instrument. From 1709—the date when Christofori made his four "keyed psalteries"—the piano, at first slowly, but afterward by leaps and bounds, went on increasing and increasing in popularity, until now its manufacture has become a great industry.

A Beneficent Institution.
 The New York Legal Aid society, of which Arthur Von Briesen, a wealthy lawyer with a lucrative practice, is president, is wholly supported from contributions from the purses of wealthy men interested in the work, and it has accomplished a marvelous amount of good. "A poor man or woman," said Mr. Von Briesen recently, "may have honestly learned by hard labor an amount of money. Payment is refused. A lawyer is consulted and if the sum is not promptly obtained the cost of redress in most cases exceeds the sum due. Thousands of such cases occur in New York yearly. Right then and there an anarchist at heart is made. We take such cases up, accept a retainer of 10 cents to help our client's self-respect and collect the money." That represents the total charge, and even that is not always exacted. To date we have collected over \$865,000 for 115,000 individuals, who otherwise would have been unjustly deprived of that vast amount of money.

Lies are always in a hurry, but the truth contentedly awaits its turn.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 15th.—A medical authority says: "In many families throughout the world Garfield Tea often takes the place of the family physician, for practically everyone suffers at times from disorders of stomach, liver, kidneys or bowels. Certainly, from no other medicine can such good results be obtained. This Herb remedy makes people well, thus greatly increasing their capacity for enjoying life; it is good for young and old."

May Stand on Car Platform.
 In the district court, Boston, Judge H. W. Bragg decided the other day that a man who stands on the platform of a railroad car could not be forced inside and dismissed a complaint against the defendant in such action brought by a railroad company, who alleged that defendant, by refusing to enter the car when ordered so to do by a servant of the company, and who persisted in such refusal until force was employed, thereby committed a breach of the peace.

Silver Chains in Style.
 Silver is once more in vogue for jewelry of the simplest sort. In Paris just now women are wearing very long fine chains in silver—hardly more than a hair in thickness—and suspending from them single unset gems. Sometimes this gem is a ruby, sometimes a diamond—emeralds, matrix turquoises are also seen. But the most popular is, of course, the sapphire, this being a sapphire season, so far as both colors and jewels are concerned.

Germany Kicks on Foreign Students.
 Germany is beginning to object to the number of foreign students in her universities and technical schools. The latter have protested that something must be done to keep foreigners out, as out of 11,311 students in technical high schools in 1900, 2,017, or more than a sixth, were foreigners and of these 896 were Russians.

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THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.
 Latest Quotations From South Omaha and Kansas City.
 SOUTH OMAHA.
 Cattle—Cattle receipts continued liberal, making the receipts for the week, to date compare favorably with last week, and also with the same period of last year. The demand for the better grades was active, so that the market was brisk and no important changes in prices were noted. There were about twenty-five cars of corn-fed steers in the yards, and the quality of the offerings as a whole was good. Receipts included about fifty cars of cows and heifers. The demand was a little more active on the better grades than it was yesterday and the market could be quoted steady. Bulls, veal calves and stags sold without material change from yesterday's quotations. There were not many desirable grades of stockers and feeders on sale, so that anything answering to that description was picked up in good season at steady prices. The demand for the common kinds was limited, the same as it has been for some time past, and sellers had considerable difficulty in disposing of that class of cattle. There was an active demand for western range beef steers and as a result the fifteen cars offered sold at good, strong prices.
 Hogs—Receipts of hogs were fairly liberal, making the supply for the four days of this week considerably in excess of both the corresponding days of last week and the same days of last year. The market at this point opened up in good season, with prices a good nickel higher than yesterday's average market. As the morning advanced the market took on more life and prices grew stronger at a rapid rate. At the close an advance of 7½¢ over yesterday's average was noted. The early sales were mostly at \$5.55. Later on the bulk sold at \$5.67½ and on the close \$5.67½ and \$5.70 were the popular prices.
 Sheep—There were quite a few sheep and lambs on sale, but nearly everything offered was feeders. There were a few cars, however, of native corn-feds, which sold at good, steady prices. Packers seem to be anxious for supplies here, but they claim that prices are too high in comparison with other points. The feeder market was not very brisk, as the number of buyers was rather limited. Some of the better grades sold at just about steady prices, but aside from those the market was dull and weak. Old ewes in particular are hard to move, and prices are now considerably lower than they have been in some time past.

KANSAS CITY.
 Cattle—Corn-fed steers opened 10c higher and closed steady; Texans, 10c higher; others, steady; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$5.70@6.25; fair to good, \$4.50@5.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.90@4.25; western fed steers, \$4.00@5.50; western range steers, \$3.25@4.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.75@4.40; Texas cows, \$2.00@2.95; native cows, \$2.50@4.25; heifers, \$3.25@5.35; canners, \$1.50@2.40; bulls, \$2.25@3.90; calves, \$3.00@5.25.
 Hogs—Heavy, 5c higher; light and pigs, 5c lower; top, \$5.25; bulk of sales, \$5.30@5.85; heavy, \$5.50@5.85; mixed packers, \$5.55@5.85; light, \$4.90@5.90; pigs, \$4.25@4.75.
 Sheep and Lambs—Market strong to 10c higher; native lambs, \$4.00@4.60; western lambs, \$3.75@4.50; native wethers, \$3.25@3.90; western wethers, \$2.85@3.35; yearlings, \$3.25@3.80; ewes, \$2.50@3.25; culls, \$1.50@3.25.

NO PROMISE TO BRIGANDS
 United States Has Not Guaranteed Them Immunity From Punishment.
 WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—It is said at the state department that no authorization has been sent Consul General Dickinson to promise exemption from punishment of the brigands who kidnaped Miss Stone, as one of the conditions of her ransom. In fact, our government has not authorized any promise whatever to be made that would bind its hands in dealing with the subject in the future, or that would prevent it either from insisting on the punishment of the brigands or from lodging a demand for full indemnity for the money which may be paid over as ransom for Miss Stone. There is no disposition to disavow any of Mr. Dickinson's acts, but the officials here are confident that he has not compromised the case. Because of his diplomatic rank it is left to Mr. Spencer Eddy, United States charge at Constantinople, to make any necessary representations of a diplomatic character, and that he is exercising his functions in that direction is exhibited in the dispatches published today disclosing the character of the representations he has been making to the Bulgarian agents at Constantinople.

NEELEY IS SQUIRMING
 Audiencia Recommends Sentence in Cuban Postal Fraud Cases.
 HAVANA, Nov. 16.—The defendants in the Havana postoffice fraud cases have been granted an extension of ten days in which to file their answers to the charges of the fiscal. A dispatch to the Associated Press from Havana said that the indictments in these cases sent by the audiencia implicated Rathbone jointly with Neeley and Reeves in defrauding the government and recommended that each of the accused men be fined \$150,000 and that Rathbone be sentenced to twenty-five years, Neeley to twenty-five years and six months and Reeves to twenty-four years and six months' imprisonment.

Territories Send a Lobby.
 MUSKOGEE, I. T., Nov. 16.—Six delegates to Washington, who are to remain in that city during the present session of congress and work in behalf of statehood for Oklahoma and Indian Territory, were appointed as a result of the statehood convention just held here. Oklahoma elected ex-Governor Barnes, Charles F. Barrett and Thomas H. Doyle, and Indian Territory decided upon three prominent men who will undertake to act.

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